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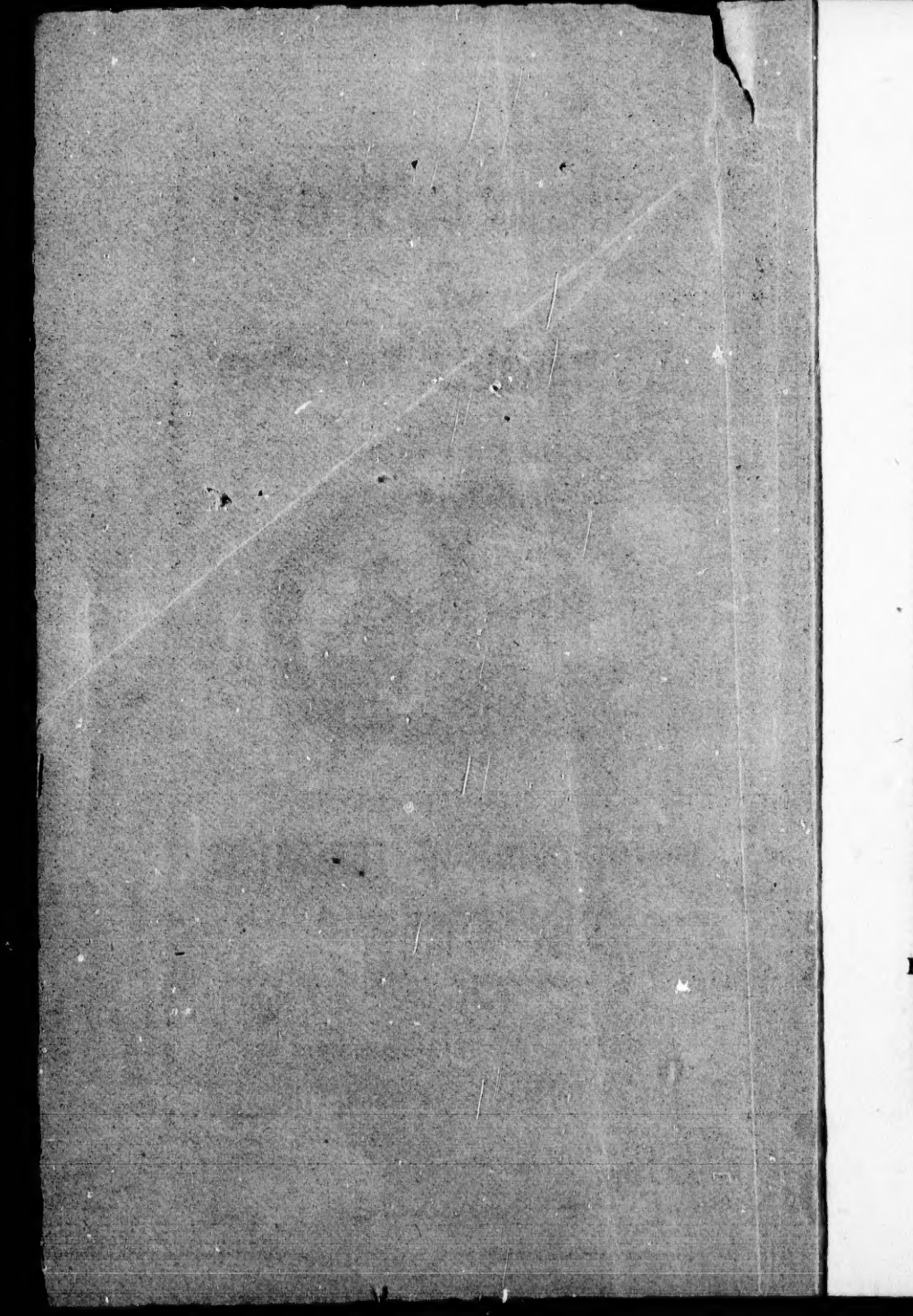
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PRESENT OFFICERS.

C. R.—T. Hopkins;
S. C. R.—W. H. Wall;
Treasurer.—J. Randle;
Secretary.—L. Manson;
S. W.—J. A. Trumper,
J. W.—T. Jamieson;
S. B.—N. Johns;
J. B.—P. Harris,
Court Surgeon.—D. Cluness, M. D.;
Auditors.—D. Jones, P.C.R.; J. Blundell, P.C.R.;
H. McAdie.
Trustees.—R. Nightingale, P. C. R.; E. Sage, P.
C. R.; W. H. Wall, P. C. R.
Committee on By-Laws.—T. Bradley, P. C. R.;
J. Blundell, P.C.R.; J. Randle, P.C.R.

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ON THE FIRST DAY OF DEC., 1885.

James Knight;	B. Richardson;
James Akenhead;	Henry Peterson;
John Hilbert;	James Wilks;
Elijah Ganner;	Mark Bate;
John Gribble;	R. Whitfield;
Robert Beauchamp;	Thomas Beckinsell;
Alfred J. Dixon;	James Phillips;
Conrad Emmerick;	Jonathan Blundell;
Robert Hall;	Michael Manson;
Richard Nightingale;	Joseph Malpass;
F. Rowbottom;	Richard Gibson;
John Thompson;	Jules Michael;
George Vipond;	James Lewis;
Walter Wilson;	John Fraser;
David W. Gordon;	James Pargeter;
William Hunter;	Thomas Hopkins;
William Roberts;	Samuel Brightman;
Joseph Randle;	Charles McGargle;

Thomas Miles;
Lawrence Manson;
John Richards;
John Mahrer;
Edwin D. Michael;
John Morgan;
John Beaven;
Thomas Morgan;
William Hirst;
John Sampson;
Robert J. Wenborn;
Enoch Sage;
John Frederickson;
John Morrison;
George McGargle,
Daniel Beauchamp;
John Bryant;
David Jones;
John Robson;
Carl O. Walters;
Charles Millar,
Thomas Malpass;
George Thomson;
Reece Evans;
William H. Wall;
Joseph W. Lewis;
Henry Biggs;
Thomas Bradley;
Andrew Paton;
Edward Hoskin;
George Dunbar;
Wm. Baker;
Samuel Thompson;
William T. Wenborn,
William Bennett,
John H. Scales,

John A. Kearney;
Edward Jones;
George Bainbridge;
John D. Edwards;
Henry McAide;
Joseph A. Trumper;
James T. O'Brian;
William Roberts;
Michael Campbell;
Herbert Bevilockway;
William Rafter;
John Williams;
Ernest VanHouten;
Josephus Murton;
Robert Pollock;
John Craven;
David McKinnell;
George Davis;
Thomas Jamieson;
Peter Brennan;
Peter Richardson;
Thomas R. Jones;
Robinson Young;
George Watch;
Nicholas Johns;
George Cuthbert;
John Pargeter;
William Jas. Pierce;
Edmund Beauchamp;
John C. Stephens;
Pendry Harris;
Charles Axelson;
Aaron Watson.
Frederick Mattison,
William Lewis,
Frank Rogers.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

D. Cluness, M. D.; Joseph Webb;
Loftus R. McInnes, M. D.

PREAMBLE.

It appears that our Institution was founded at Knaresborough Castle in England, on the 29th of October, 1745, under the title of "Royal Foresters," by which name it continued, until, at a Grand Convention of Delegates, held at Rochdale in August, 1834, it was changed, and is now known as the "Ancient Order of Foresters," which has spread with such rapidity that it is now the largest benefit society in the world. Our Institution was founded when, but for the helping hand of our brethern, woe might sojourn for a much longer period in our dwellings. For this and other ends we associate and are bound by a solemn tie to act towards and alleviate the sufferings of each other as brethren. To cheer and protect the unfortunate, to sympathize with and aid those whom accident or disease may overtake, and to dry the cheeks of the mourner, are among the leading objects of Forestry. To provide against the calamities just adverted to is, though great, not the only benefit resulting from our associated brotherhood. Besides uniting to render less trying the vicissitudes of human existence, we assemble to promote the social happiness of our brethren, and relieve minds from the pressure of care by temperate conviviality.

A good Forester is a man who, jealous of his rights as a citizen, maintains them in a temperate, manly and decorous manner. Knowing his duties he performs them well, and pays a ready and willing obedience to his country's laws, neither cringing nor servile on the one hand, nor wild and factious on the other. In

his private character as a father, son, or husband, he fulfills all claims with scrupulous fidelity.

Forestry has many advantages over other Societies. It is not confined to localities, Its branches extend over the length and breadth of the land. There is scarcely a town or village but has its Forester's Court, and to be a member of one is to be a member of all. A tradesman is often necessitated to leave his last locality in search of employment, (by circumstances over which he has no control). He arrives at the close of a day at some distant town without a cent and forlorn. Is he to have recourse to crime or charity to supply the cravings of Nature? No! He has only to produce his credentials to the appointed officer of the Order and relief is instantly granted. If he is in want, instead of soliciting the cold hand of charity, he has only to make known his case of distress, when it touches the sympathy of the brethren, and his wants are supplied.

Whenever an individual enters a Forester's Court, he forms new associations, comes under new regulations (which are in strict conformity with religion and strict morality), and to have wherewith to pay his quota to its funds, it becomes an incentive to industry. Drunkenness, dishonesty and idleness, and everything that degrades the character of man, and mars his social enjoyment, is prohibited by our laws; while sobriety, honesty and industry are the virtues that are recommended; and whoever acts in conformity thereto, becomes an honor to himself, a benefit to society, and a blessing to those around him.

EVERY MAN FOR EVERY MAN, HIMSELF INCLUDED," is our ruling principle;

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benevolence and friendship are our objects; and justice and morality are our characteristics. Who, then, is so exalted in rank, whether by birth or merit, that might not be proud of becoming a member of THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS?

Unitas, Benevolentia et Concordia.

Extract from Minutes of a General Meeting of Court Nanaimo Foresters' Home, No. 5886, A. O. F., held on May 22nd, 1885, and specially called for the adoption of new By-Laws, Rules and Regulations:

Moved by Bro. Jonathan Blundell, P. C. R., seconded by Bro. John Mahrer, P. C. R.—

“That the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of Court Nanaimo Foresters' Home, No. 5886, of the Ancient Order of Foresters' Friendly Society, now and heretofore in force are hereby rescinded, and in lieu thereof the following are hereby adopted and declared to be the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of this Court Nanaimo Foresters' Home, No. 5886, of the Ancient Order of Foresters' Friendly Society.”

The above motion was put by the Chief Ranger and duly carried.

JOHN RICHARDS,
Chief Ranger, *pro tem.*
LAURENCE MANSON,
Secretary.

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF COURT
NANAIMO FORESTERS' HOME, No. 5886,
OF THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

ARTICLE I.

NAME AND OBJECTS.

That this Court shall be called "NANAIMO FORESTERS' HOME, No. 5886," and shall form an auxiliary branch of the Ancient Order of Forester's Friendly Society; and shall have for its objects the raising of funds by entrance fees, subscriptions of the members, fines, donations, and by interest on capital, for the following purposes, namely: Insuring sums of money to defray the expenses of the burial of deceased members, and of members' deceased wives, and providing for the widows and orphans of deceased members; for rendering assistance to members when sick and unable to follow their employment; for supplying medical attendance and medicine to the members; assisting members when compelled to travel in search of employment; and for granting temporary relief to members when in distressed circumstances. The whole of the objects and rules of this Court shall be carried into effect in conformity with and subject to the general laws of the Ancient Order of Foresters' Friendly Society, and the whole of the said laws of the Order, and any alterations or amendments thereof, hereafter made and duly certified, shall be applicable to the members of this Court, in the same manner as if the said laws, alterations and amendments were inserted in these rules.

ARTICLE II.

PLACE AND TIME OF MEETING.

SEC. 1. That the business of this Court shall be carried on in the City of Nanaimo, British Columbia, at any house a majority of the members may think proper. In the event of a removal being necessary, a motion to that effect shall be made and seconded on a regular Court night, and the Secretary shall summons every member residing within seven miles of the Court Room, to attend on the next Court night, when such proposition shall be taken into consideration, and finally decided by ballot.

SEC. 2. The meetings of this Court shall be held on every alternate Saturday, commencing at 7:30 o'clock p. m., and shall continue not less than one hour, and not later than 11 o'clock, except on Quarterly or Special Meetings, when the Court may be kept open until, but not later than 12 o'clock. Any Chief Ranger not closing the Court at the specified time, shall be fined \$1.00.

SEC. 3. Should the Chief Ranger or Secretary be absent at the time for opening the Court, he shall be fined 50 cents; if absent the whole evening, \$1.00. Any other officer absenting himself at the opening of the Court shall be fined 25 cents, and if absent the whole evening 50 cents, unless satisfactory excuse be given previous to the time of opening.

SEC. 4. The minutes of the previous meeting shall be read immediately after the Court is opened and shall be confirmed or rejected, if confirmed to be signed by the presiding Chief Ranger and Secretary.

SEC. 5. The Quarterly Meetings shall be on the last regular meeting night in March, June, September and December. All financial members shall pay, or cause to be paid, the sum of \$1.00 per month as contributions. Each member shall be notified by the Secretary as to the state of his account in the summons for the Quarterly meetings, and unless he come into compliance at the Quarterly or next meeting night of the Court, he shall be suspended from benefits.

SEC. 6. The Chief Ranger shall call Special Meetings, should he deem it necessary, or on the written request of ten members.

ARTICLE III.

CONSTITUTION AND MANAGEMENT.

This Court shall consist of an unlimited number of members, and the business thereof shall be conducted by the following officers as a Committee of Management, viz.: Chief Ranger, Sub-Chief Ranger, Treasurer, Secretary, Senior and Junior Woodwards, Senior and Junior Beadles, and shall have in addition thereto a Minute Secretary, three Trustees, and Arbitration Committee of Twelve, three Auditors, Room Committee of Three and a Surgeon.

ARTICLE IV.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. A change of officers shall occur in the months of June and December of each year. Nominations for officers can be made at either of the two regular meetings previous to the night of election. Any officer refusing to act after be-

ing elected to an office, shall be fined \$2.50, unless he has been in office during either of the two previous terms, when it shall be optional with him.

SEC. 2. Any member not owing the Court more than \$3.00 can be nominated to any office or offices, except for Chief Ranger, when he must be clear on the books. Should there be more than one candidate for an office, the election shall be decided by a majority ballot. Any brother refusing to fill an office after being elected shall, after paying a fine of \$2.50, be exempt for the balance of that term, and a fresh election shall be held on the same night to fill such vacancy.

SEC. 3. The Secretary shall post in a conspicuous part of the Hall, at least one meeting night before the election of officers a list of members nominated for the different offices.

ARTICLE V.

DUTY OF CHIEF RANGER.

SEC. 1. The Chief Ranger shall preside over all meetings of this Court, preserve order and decorum, and enforce all fines imposed by the laws of the Court and the Order. He shall give the casting vote on all questions before the Court, inspect and announce the result of all ballots and votes, sign all cheques for the payment of monies, preside over all committee meetings, and see that justice is done to all parties, and that the laws of the order are strictly and impartially complied with; he shall appoint Arbitration and other Committees excepting those elected by ballot or open vote, and should he be unable to attend a Court meeting, he

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shall appoint a Past Chief Ranger to act in his stead.

SEC. 2. Should one or more of the Trustees resign or be removed from office, or should his or their term of office expire, the Chief Ranger shall demand and take charge of all property of the Court in his or their possession, until the Court shall elect others to fill such vacancies.

SEC. 3. Should a brother be taken with a severe illness or meet with an accident, the Chief Ranger and Secretary shall appoint, if deemed necessary by the Court Surgeon, and subject to his approval, a competent nurse to wait on the brother.

ARTICLE VI.

DUTY OF SUB-CHIEF RANGER.

The Sub-Chief Ranger shall assist the Chief Ranger in preserving order and decorum in the Court, and shall see that every brother address the Chief Ranger on entering or leaving the Court Room. He shall also examine all candidates for initiation.

ARTICLE VII.

DUTY OF TREASURER.

SEC. The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Court, and when the same exceeds \$100.00, he shall hand all over and above that amount to the Trustees within forty-eight hours after receiving same. Previous to being installed in office, he shall give security to the Trustees in the sum of \$100.00. He shall receive all monies from the Secretary, giving his receipt

for same, and shall pay no monies, unless by order of the Court, signed by the Chief Ranger and Secretary, except sick pay, for which an order signed by the Chief Ranger and Secretary shall be sufficient.

SEC. 2. He shall attend all meetings of the Audit Committee, and render a true and accurate account of all monies received and paid by him; he shall give up all books, documents and monies in his possession belonging to the Court, when required to do so by a resolution of the Court.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTY OF SECRETARY.

SEC. 1. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Court, and shall keep a true and accurate account of the income and expenditure of the Court. Also a record of the proceedings at all meetings of the Court. He shall register the name, age, occupation and residence of every person proposed and initiated. He shall keep a clear account of each member's contributions and fines, divide all monies received by him, and carry them to their proper funds. He shall prepare, or cause to be prepared and issued in due time, all summonses and notices. He shall attend all meetings of the Audit or other committees, and give any explanations that may be required respecting the accounts, etc. He shall sign, in conjunction with the Chief Ranger, all cheques or orders for the payment of monies, prepare all returns to the district and High Courts, and by the first Court meeting in January of each year prepare a Balance Sheet of

the past year's income and expenditure. He shall receive all monies due the Court, and pay the same at the close of each meeting to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor; proposition fees not to be included in the receipts until after the applicant's election.

SEC. 2. When a member declares on the sick fund, the Secretary shall see what allowance the brother is entitled to receive, and shall notify the Senior Woodward of the Brother's sickness.

SEC. 3. He shall read in open Court on Quarterly nights the names of all members who are not in good standing, and shall transact such other duties appertaining to his office as the Committee of Management may from time to time appoint. Previous to his installation he shall give security to the Trustees in the sum of \$100.00 for the faithful performance of his duties. He shall have charge of the Court Seal and shall keep the books of the Court open for the inspection of any member at all reasonable times. He shall receive the sum of \$75.00 per annum, payable quarterly, for the faithful performance of his duties, or such other sum as a summoned meeting of the Court may decide.

ARTICLE IX.

DUTY OF MINUTE SECRETARY.

The Minute Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Court, and enter the minutes and proceedings of the same in a book for that purpose.

ARTICLE X.

DUTY OF THE WOODWARDS.

SEC. 1. The Woodward's shall visit all members of the Court known to be sick and residing within three miles of the Court House, (should the Court require the Woodward's to visit any brother who may be sick, and residing outside the limits, they shall be allowed their expenses) at least twice a week, except in the case of contagious or infectious diseases, the visiting days of each Woodward are optional, provided they do not both visit on the same day. In case of suspicion they may visit at will. They shall pay the sick allowance within the limits in forty-eight hours after receiving the same. Wellington Members' sick allowance will be paid on application to the Treasurer or by the sick brother authorizing some other brother to receive the same. If the sick brother does not receive his allowance the officer with whom the fault may rest shall be fined fifty cents.

SEC. 2. The Woodward's shall furnish the officers with their regalia of office, and collect the same at close of the Court and place it in the wardrobe.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Woodward's to deduct from each member's sick pay, all dues owing by him in order to keep him good on the books, and to report to the Court any neglect on the part of the Surgeon, or non-compliance of sick members with the rules of the Court.

SEC. 4. Should one or both of the Woodward's be unavoidably absent or sick, the Chief Ranger shall call upon one or both of the bea-

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ARTICLE XI.

DUTY OF THE BEADLES.

The Beadles shall attend to the door, and see that no one enters the Court in a state of intoxication, or when a brother is addressing the Chair, and see that all members sign the record book before entering the Court, and shall deliver all summonses. Any Beadle allowing a brother to enter the Court without giving the current password or obtaining permission from the Chief Ranger shall be fined twenty-five cents for each offence.

ARTICLE XII.

DUTY OF TRUSTEES.

Three Trustees shall be elected by ballot, separately, the Senior Trustee to retire every six months, and another to be elected at the meeting for the election of officers, every half-year. The Secretary and Treasurer not to be eligible to become Trustees. The Trustees shall receive and demand all moneys at any time from the Treasurer, (except \$100.00) and deposit it in the Dominion Savings' Bank, or in such Bank or Savings' institution as the majority of the Court may decide upon, in the name of the Court; and after depositing or receiving moneys with the bank-book, they shall deposit the book with the Chief Ranger. And in the

event of any of the Trustees dying, being suspended or expelled, leaving the Court, or otherwise being unable to fulfill their duties, there shall be another elected to fill the vacancy for the balance of the term, and the Bank so notified. No moneys shall be drawn from the Bank without the consent of the Court. Checks in all cases to be signed by the Chief Ranger, Secretary, and a majority of the Trustees, and the Court Seal attached. In case any Trustee removed from office, shall refuse or neglect to assign or transfer any property belonging to this Court, as the Court shall direct, such Trustee shall be expelled and shall cease to have any claim on the Society on account of any contributions paid by him. The Trustees shall invest or dispose of the Funds in their charge in such manner as the Court at a summoned meeting shall direct.

ARTICLE XIII.

ARBITRATION COMMITTEE.

On the first meeting night in January of each year the Chief Ranger shall appoint an Arbitration Committee of twelve members (pursuant to 87 G. L.) who, with the Chief Ranger and Secretary, shall hear all questions of dispute that may be brought before it, and shall decide the same subject to an appeal to the District and High Court. Any person claiming arbitration, shall serve his or her complaint in writing on the Chief Ranger, and deposit the sum of \$2.50. Should the decision of the Committee be in fa-

vor of the complainant, the deposit money to be returned, and the defendant shall pay the cost of arbitration; but should the decision be in favor of the defendant, the deposit money to go towards defraying the cost of arbitration, which is to be paid by the complainant. Any member of the committee not attending the meeting in due time, shall be fined 50 cents, and if absent the whole evening, \$1 00. Any member of the committee making known any remarks made by a member thereof, or how he cast his vote, shall be fined \$10, and shall be suspended until paid.

ARTICLE XIV.

APPOINTMENT AND DUTY OF AUDITORS.

Three Auditors shall be appointed to audit the accounts, the senior to retire every half-year, and another to be appointed in his place. They shall inspect and audit the accounts of the Secre-ary, Treasurer, Trustees or Committees who may be charged with the receipt and expenditure of the monies of the Court; they shall at each quarterly meeting lay before the members the financial condition of the Court, together with a balance sheet of the income and expenditure during the quarter.

ARTICLE XV.

DUTIES OF ROOM COMMITTEE.

The Room Committee shall consist of Three Members of the court, to be appointed at the half-yearly meetings and hold office for the space of six months. Their duty shall be to see

the court and its portals are kept in proper order. They shall also recommend any repairs or alterations that may be necessary for the comfort and convenience of its members; also report to the court any damage the furniture, fixtures, or other property of the court, may have received. They shall make out an inventory at the end of each term, of all the property belonging to the court, estimating the value of the same, showing what was received from their predecessors, and all alterations and additions during the term reported upon. The report shall be filed for future reference.

ARTICLE XVI.

DUTY OF SURGEON.

Whenever necessary, a court surgeon shall be elected who shall continue in office during the pleasure of the court. It shall be his duty to examine all candidates for admission into the court, and visit at least once a week, and as often as necessary, all sick members of the court residing within three miles of the Court House, who are entitled to his services, furnish them with medicine during their sickness, and give his certificate of such brother's sickness and recovery in accordance with the forms at the end of these rules. Should a member of this court be sick and under the charge of another surgeon, the court surgeon shall visit him at least once a week, and report the brother's condition to the court. The Secretary shall furnish the surgeon within three weeks after the Quarterly Nights with a list of all members entitled to his services. All members requiring the services of the court surgeon shall

be entitled to the same provided their names are on his list; or, in case of initiatory members or others who may have become entitled to his services, when the Secretary shall furnish them with a certificate to the court surgeon, and such names shall be added to the surgeon's list. No person shall be deemed eligible for court surgeon unless he has a satisfactory diploma. Any complaints against the surgeon shall be referred to the arbitration committee. The surgeon shall be paid the sum of 75 cents per quarter for each member returned to him on the previous quarters's list.

ARTICLE XVII.

ADMISSION OF MEMBERS.

SEC. 1. Any brother wishing to propose a friend for admission into this Court shall deposit on his behalf a proposition fee of \$2.50, and should the person proposed be elected, he shall, at the time of his initiation, produce a certificate of health from the Court Surgeon in accordance with the forms at the end of these rules, and shall pay a further sum of \$7.50. The balance of his entrance fees must be paid within six months from the day of his initiation; if not paid he will not be entitled to any benefits until the expiration of six months from the time of clearing himself on the books of the Court. Should the applicant be elected and fail to present himself for initiation for the space of three months, his proposition fee of \$2.50 shall be forfeited to the Court, but should the application be rejected, his proposition fee shall be returned to him.

SEC. 2. No person shall be admitted a finan-

cial member whose proposition has not been before the Court from one regular meeting to another. (Except a mariner, and one whose professional duties call him away), or who is under eighteen or over forty years of age, the following shall be the scale of entrance fees:—

18, and not exceeding 20 years of age, \$20 00
From 20 years \$1 00 for every additional year up to 35 years.

35 and not exceeding 37 years of age, \$40 00

37, " " 39 " 45 00

39, " " 40 " 50 00

SEC. 3. The name of each candidate for admission shall be referred to an investigating committee of three, who shall enquire into his character and qualifications, and report thereon at the next meeting. Any member of the committee neglecting to report shall be fined fifty cents.

SEC. 4. No person shall be admitted as a member of this Court if his wife (if a married man) is not in good health, or one who does not bear a good character, leads a dissolute life, frequents bad company, is guilty of habitual intoxication, or is of a quarrelsome character. Any brother knowingly introducing a person of the above character shall be fined \$5.00 and suspended until paid.

SEC. 5. All candidates for membership shall be balloted for, three black balls to reject and two black balls to defer. In the event of the application being deferred, the brothers who cast the unfavorable ballots shall submit their reasons in writing to the Chief Ranger before the next meeting of the court, when he shall state to the court the objections given, withholding the names of the brothers giving same, and a fresh ballot shall be spread on the application

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without discussion. Should the ballot prove favorable, the applicant shall be declared elected. No re-consideration of an unfavorable ballot shall be allowed unless a brother who cast a black ball voluntarily admits having done so, and moves for a re-consideration of the ballot—only one re-consideration in the same case to be allowed. Should a candidate be rejected, he shall not be eligible for proposition until the expiration of six months' from the time of being rejected.

SEC. 6. Every candidate shall, previous to initiation, be examined by the Court Surgeon within five weeks previous to presenting himself for initiation, and, subsequent to being initiated, shall be given, free of charge a copy of the Rules by which he is to be governed, and a certificate of membership.

SEC. 7. All candidates must sign the following declaration:—

I,.....of,.....
in the Province of British Columbia, by occupation a.....,being desirous of becoming a Member of "Court Nanaimo Forester's Home, No. 5886," of the Ancient Order of Foresters' Friendly Society, hereby declare that I was born in.....,in....., on the.....day of.....One thousand eight hundred and....., and that I am in good bodily health and not habitually subject to any disease, and that my wife's name is....., and that her age is years, and that she is in good bodily health at this time. And I do hereby agree that this declaration shall be the ground of contract between the said court and myself; and if any of the statements herein contained be untrue, the sum already paid or any other

sums that may be paid by me to the said court, shall be forfeited, and myself deprived of all benefits and advantages from the said Court and Order. And I further declare that I will conform to and abide by all the Rules of the Court and Order, now in force, or hereafter to be enacted or submit to the penalties therein contained.

As witness my hand this.....day of.....
18.....

Witness.....

Signature.....

SEC. 8. Any person of respectable character over twenty-one years of age, may be admitted as an honorary member by paying the sum of \$20.00, and shall be entitled to all the privileges acknowledged by the General Laws as belonging to such member.

ARTICLE XVIII.

MEMBERS BECOMING FREE.

Financial Members shall become free and entitled to all benefits at the expiration of six months from the time of being initiated, provided they have paid or caused to be paid their entrance fees, dues and regular contributions.

ARTICLE XIX.

MEMBERS' BENEFITS.

SEC. 1. Any financial member in good standing who may become lame, sick or infirm, and not capable of following his trade, or earning his livelihood in some other manner, or occupation, if it be not caused by fighting (except

in self-defence), running, leaping, wrestling or any dangerous practice, act of bravado or venereal disease (notwithstanding he may continue to carry on his business by his wife, children or servants), shall be entitled to \$7.00 per week as benefits for a space of twenty-six weeks, and should his sickness or affliction continue for a longer space than twenty-six weeks, he shall be entitled to receive the sum of \$5 00 a week as long as his affliction lasts.

SEC. 2. Any brother having been sick and receiving the reduced sick allowance of \$5 00 per week, and by reason of his recovery ceases to receive such relief shall not be entitled to recommence the receipt of full pay of \$7 00 per week until he has been able to resume his business or employment for six months from the date of his ceasing to receive relief, and has kept himself clear on the books during such period. But should the brother fall sick before the expiration of six calendar months, he shall be placed in the same position as when he ceased to receive benefits. No brother shall be entitled to receive sick pay unless he has been sick for one week. Should his sickness continue for longer period than a week, he shall receive sick pay from the date of his first sickness.

SEC. 3. Members declaring on the funds must send their declaration to the Secretary within twenty-four hours, or they will not be allowed any benefits for that day. Should a member declare off during the week, he shall only be paid for those days he has been on the funds. No sick money to be paid until the Secretary receives a certificate from the Court Surgeon of the brother's sickness.

SEC. 4. Should a brother residing within

three miles of the Court Room, be sick and able to walk to the Surgeon's office, he is expected to do so at least three times a week. If the brother is not able to walk the Court Surgeon must visit him at his residence. Should a brother be taken sick who resides beyond three miles from the Court House, he shall furnish the Secretary with a weekly certificate from the Surgeon attending him,

SEC. 5. Any brother going into the country for the benefit of his health, must furnish the Secretary with a recommendation for same from the Court Surgeon, and when in the country must furnish the Secretary with a certificate in accordance with the form at the end of these rules.

SEC. 6. Any member leaving the province shall be entitled to sick benefits, provided he keep himself in good standing, and furnish the court with satisfactory evidence of his sickness.

SEC. 7. No sick member of this court shall be out before 7 a. m. (unless by consent of the medical attendant) or later than 7 p. m. in summer, or before 9 a. m. or later than 4 p. m. in winter; and upon going out shall leave word for Woodward where he has gone and when he will return. The summer for a sick member shall be from the 21st of March to the 29th of September, and winter the remainder of the year.

SEC. 8. Any member found imposing on the funds of the court, or being found intoxicated, fighting, quarrelling or doing anything during sickness that may retard his recovery, shall be fined \$10.00 and suspended until paid; and

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should he repeat the offence, he shall be expelled from the Order. No member shall be entitled to receive benefits who has concealed any disorder or bodily infirmity he was afflicted with at the time of his initiation, provided it be the cause of his sickness.

SEC. 9. Members becoming sick out of court limits, shall be entitled to sick and funeral pay, on the production of a duly certified Physician's certificate, countersigned by a legal Justice of the Peace, and a weekly certificate from the Physician attending him or upon production of such other evidence as may be satisfactory to the court at a summoned meeting.

ARTICLE XX.

FUNERAL BENEFITS.

SEC. 1. Should a free member of this court, die, his widow, relatives, or nominee, shall receive the sum of \$75.00 towards his funeral expenses, and should a free member's wife die, he shall receive the sum of \$50.00 towards her funeral expenses. Should there be no funeral expenses incurred at the death of a member or member's wife, no benefits shall be allowed unless otherwise ordered by a meeting of the court summoned for that purpose.

SEC. 2. Should a member's wife be sick at the time of his initiation and continue so until he become free, and then die, and proof thereof be furnished to the court, he shall not be allowed funeral benefits at her death.

SEC. 3. No funeral benefits shall be allowed on the death of a brother or his wife, should their death be caused by their own misconduct.

ARTICLE XXI.

FUNERAL OF MEMBERS.

On the death of a member in good standing, or a member's wife, the Secretary shall, if required by the relatives of the deceased, make arrangements by which the members shall be invited to follow the remains of the deceased to the grave. In the absence of relatives the court shall take charge of the funeral, and any funds remaining after the funeral expenses are paid, to be transferred to the Benevolent Fund.

ARTICLE XXII.

TO WHOM FUNERAL EXPENSES SHALL BE PAID.

SEC. 1. The Secretary shall keep a book in which members may nominate in writing the person to whom the burial money shall be paid on their decease.

SEC. 2. Any member may revoke such nomination by a written notice to that effect, signed by himself, and it shall be the duty of the Chief Ranger to see the nomination erased; the member to pay the Management Fund the sum of twenty-five cents for each nomination or revocation. The Secretary neglecting to ask a brother to nominate within three months' of his admission, to forfeit twenty-five cents.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RECEIVING MEMBERS BY CLEARANCE.

SEC. 1. Any brother wishing to join this

court by clearance shall make proper application at a court meeting, and deposit his clearance and certificate of good health from the Surgeon of this court, and should his application receive the assent of a majority of the members then present, he shall be declared elected, and shall, by paying such entrance fees as the District Rules shall provide, and keeping himself financial, be entitled to all benefits at the expiration of twelve months. But the Court will not hold itself responsible for sick or funeral benefits, if the Brother should fall sick or die within twelve months,

Sec. 2. Any brother joining this court by a clearance from a court which has broken up and divided its funds shall; at the same time, pay into this court the whole of the money received by him as his share of such division of funds, and by so doing he shall be entitled to all benefits at the time of joining this court.

ARTICLE XXIV.

RE-INSTATEMENT OF MEMBERS.

Any Brother suspended from the court for non-payment of contributions, or any minor offence or neglect, and wishing to rejoin the court, within one year from date of suspension, may do so by producing a certificate of good health from the Court Surgeon and paying all arrears, and shall be entitled to all benefits at the expiration of four weeks, provided he has committed no dishonorable act during suspension.

ARTICLE XXV.

MEMBERS VOTING.

Every financial member in good standing shall have an equal part and voice in the properties of the court and shall be compelled to vote on all applications for membership that may be before the meeting at which he is present, unless excused by the Chief Ranger; but no member shall be allowed to vote who is in arrears, or, on the night of his initiation, or, on being accepted by clearance or travelling license.

ARTICLE XXVI.

MISCONDUCT OF MEMBERS.

Sec. 1. Any Brother of this court assaulting, abusing or insulting another brother, so as to bring him into disgrace, or should he otherwise act unjustly towards another, whereby the court or Order of Foresters may suffer, he may be charged with the offence and tried by the Arbitration Committee, and dealt with according to the rules governing arbitration.

Sec. 2.—Any member making known to any person not a member of the Order, any of the private business of the court, thereby doing the court or the order or any member thereof an injury, shall be fined \$10 00, and be suspended until paid.

Sec. 3. Should any member attend in a state of intoxication, he shall be fined one dollar, and be desired by the Chief Ranger to withdraw for that evening.

ARRICLE XXVII.

ARREARS.

Sec. 1. Any member owing more than three months' contributions shall not be entitled to sick benefits, or any sum that may be insured on the death of his wife, neither shall his representatives be entitled to any sum that may be insured on his death. The Secretary shall notify members of the state of their account on quarterly meetings, and should they neglect to put themselves in compliance at the quarterly or next meeting night they shall be suspended from sick benefits for a space of four weeks after putting themselves in good standing, but should any brother be suspended as above, and fall sick during suspension, he shall not be entitled to any benefits by reason of any payment he shall make during such sickness. Any brother owing over six months' contributions shall not be entitled to medical advice or medicine from the Court Surgeon. Any brother owing over twelve months' contributions shall be struck off the roll, and shall cease to be a member of the court and order.

Sec. 2. Any member receiving another's contributions, and neglecting to pay the same into court, thereby subjecting the brother to suspension, shall be fined \$10 00, and the injured brother shall remain good on the books, provided his arrears do not exceed \$6 00.

ARTICLE XXVIII.

MEMBERS LEAVING COURT DURING BUSINESS.

Any brother leaving the Court Room during

the time the business is being conducted, without permission from the Chief Ranger, shall be fined \$1 00. Any subordinate officer leaving his seat without permission of the Chief Ranger shall be fined 25 cents. Should the Chief Ranger vacate his seat or refuse to put a question to the meeting which has been legally made, he shall be dealt with in accordance with General Law, No. 82.

ARTICLE XXIX.

MEMBERS CHANGING THEIR PLACE OF

RESIDENCE.

Any member changing his place of residence shall give the Secretary notice in writing to that effect, also his address, within one month from the date of such change of residence. For neglecting to do so shall be fined 25 cents. In the event of his not receiving his notice of arrears, he shall be held responsible the same as if he had regularly received them.

ARTICLE XXX.

SUMMONED MEETINGS.

At summoned meetings, and also at all quarterly meetings, every member will be expected to be in his place at the time mentioned on the summons, and upon the roll being called, answer to his name, or be fined 25 cents, unless an apology be sent in writing. Members leaving the meeting before the business is finished, shall be fined 25 cents, unless a sufficient reason is given.

ARTICLE XXXI.

COMMITTEES.

Members appointed on Committees and failing to attend the same, or to report to the court shall be fined \$1 for each omission of duty.

ARTICLE XXXII.

FUNDS OF THE COURT.

The funds of this court shall be divided as follows: Fifty per cent. of all contributions, all forfeited proposition fees, and \$10.00 of each entrance fee to go to the Management Fund; forty-five per cent. of all contributions, and the balance of entrance fees to the Sick and Funeral Fund, and five per cent. of all contributions and all fines to go to the Sick Nurse Fund.

ARTICLE XXXIII.

DAMAGE TO COURT PROPERTY.

Any brother losing, wilfully damaging or destroying any property of the court, shall make it good at his own expense, or be suspended the Order.

ARTICLE XXXIV.

COURT REGISTER.

Every member before entering the court room must sign the register, in charge of the Junior Beadle, and neglecting to do so he shall be fined 25 cents.

ARTICLE XXXV.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES.

Delegates to the District shall be nominated at the first regular meeting in September of each year, the election to be held on the next regular meeting, Delegates must be past or present officers of the court.

ARTICLE XXXVI.

ALTERATIONS TO RULES.

No new rule shall be made, nor any of the rules herein contained, or hereafter to be made, shall be amended, altered or rescinded unless with the consent of the majority of the members present at a summoned meeting of the court specially called for that purpose, notice of the proposed alteration or new rule having been given at previous meeting.

L. MANSON,
Secretary Court No. 5886, A. O. F.

Form of Declaration on the Funds.
To the Officers of Court No. 5886, A. O. F.:—
Being sick, I claim the Sick Allowance of the Court, this day of 188
(Signed) A. B.

Surgeon's Certificate,
I hereby certify that Bro. is
afflicted with, , and unable to fol-
low his employment, this day of
188
(Signed) C. D.
Surgeon.

Form of Declaration Off the Funds.

To the Officers of Court No. 5886, A. O. F.:—

Having recovered from sickness, I hereby
 declare off the funds, this day of
 1888

(Signed) _____

E. F.

Surgeon's Certificate.

To the Officers of Court No. 5886, A. O. F.:—

I hereby certify that Bro. is suffi-
 ciently recovered to resume his employment
 this day of 1888

(Signed) _____

Surgeon.

Country Member's Certificate.

To the Officers of Court No. 5886, A. O. F.:—

I hereby certify that is afflicted
 with , and therefore claims the
 benefits of your Court, this day of
 1888

(Signed) _____

I. J.
Surgeon.

Form of Application for Membership.

I, , by occupation a
 born in the city, town, or village of
 on the day of , 1888
 and now residing at , being desirous
 of becoming a member of Court No. 5886, of the
 Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society,
 hereby declare that I am in good bodily health,
 and not habitually subject to any disease; and
 that my wife's name is , and that
 her age is , years, that she is in
 good bodily health at this time; and I hereby
 agree that this declaration shall be the ground
 of contract between the said court and myself,
 and if any of the statements herein contained

be not true, the sum already paid, or any further sum that may be paid by me to the said court shall be forfeited, and myself deprived of all benefits or advantages from the said court and the order; and I further declare that I will conform to, and abide by all the rules of the court and of the order now in force or hereafter to be enacted, or submit to the penalties therein contained, as witness my hand this day of

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Witness.....

Signature.....

Medical Officer's Certificate of Health.

This is to certify that I have personally examined the above named _____, and find him to be in good health and of sound constitution, and believe his age to be as declared by him, as witness my hand this day of _____, 18.

Medical Officer.



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RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Chief Ranger having taken the Chair the Officers shall clothe themselves in proper regalia, and take their respective seats, and at the sound of the gavel, to be repeated by the Sub-Chief Ranger, there shall be silence.

2. The business shall be proceeded with as follows:

Roll Call of Officers.

Reading the Minutes of previous meeting.

Woodwards' Report.

Communications in writing.

Reports of Committees on Candidates.

Initiation of Candidates.

Paying of Dues or other moneys.

Reports of other Committees.

Unfinished Business.

New Business.

Paying of Bills.

Good of the Order.

3. During the reading of the minutes, communications, and other papers or bills, and when a member is speaking, silence must be observed in the Court, and none can be permitted to enter or retire, until the reading is finished, or the member ceases speaking.

4. Before putting a question, the C. R. shall ask: "Is the Court ready for the question?" If none rise to speak he shall rise and put it to the Court; after he has risen to put a question, none shall be permitted to speak upon it.

5. If two or more brothers rise to speak at the same time, the C. R. shall decide which is entitled to the floor.

6. When the C. R. is addressing the Court, or putting a question, silence shall be observed in the Court Room.

7. Each Brother speaking to any question, shall stand and respectfully address the Chair, confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid all personalities, indecorous or sarcastic language.

8. A brother shall not be interrupted while speaking except to call him to order, or for the purpose of explanation.

9. A brother shall not speak for a longer period than ten minutes nor more than once on the same subject or question, until all who wish to speak shall have had an opportunity to do so, nor more than twice without permission from the Chair, and every brother speaking shall designate the officer or brother spoken of, by his proper rank or title, according to his standing in the Order.

10. A question shall not be subject to debate, until it has been seconded and stated from the Chair; and it shall be reduced to writing, at the request of the C. R., Secretary, and of any two brothers.

11. When a question is before the Court, no motion shall be in order, except to lay on the table, for the previous question, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone for a certain time, or to

amend, which motions shall severally have precedence in the order herein arranged.

12. On the call of nine brothers debate shall cease, and a vote be taken on the motion or question under debate.

13. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

14. A motion for a re-consideration shall not be received unless made at the same or next succeeding stated meeting, and must be made by a Brother who voted with the majority in the first instance.

15. The Brother first named on a Committee shall act as Chairman until another is chosen by the members of the Committee, and the mover of a resolution referred to a Special Committee is usually the first named thereon.

16. Any Brother may excuse himself from serving on a Committee, if, at the time of his appointment, he is a member of two other Committees. A Brother cannot be appointed on a committee when absent from the court.

17. When the reading of any paper or other matters are called for, and the same be objected to by any brother, it shall be determined by a vote of the court.

18. Not more than two amendments to a proposition shall be entertained at the same time, and the question shall first be taken upon the last amendment.

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